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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: ISRAELI REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO SELL KFIR TO ROC

REF: STATE 49460

1. GROC WILL APPARENTLY NOT MAKE DECISION TO PURCHASE KFIR UNTIL IT HAS EXHAUSTED POSSIBILITIES OF OBTAINING F-104G'S AND GOT ITS ANSWER FROM US ON REQUEST TO BUY F-4'S.
2. CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF ADMIRAL SOONG TOLD DCM FEBRUARY 27 THAT GROC REGARDS KFIR AS THEIR "WORST OPTION", BUT THAT THEY WILL TAKE IT IF IT TURNS OUT TO BE THEIR ONLY OPTION. SHOULD THEY FIND SOME 104G'S, THEY WOULD DEFER DECISION ON KFIR. IF WE ARE PREPARED TO SELL THEM F-4'S, THEY WOULD DROP THE KFIR PROPOSAL ALTOGETHER. SOONG ADDED THAT THEY WOULD SETTLE FOR THE F-5X IF WE WOULD PROVIDE SOMETHING ELSE TO TIDE THEM OVER UNTIL THE F-5X IS IN PRODUCTION. ALTHOUGH HE TURNED UP HIS NOSE AT THE SUGGESTION OF MORE F-5E'S AS AN INTERIM SOLUTION, HE STOPPED SHORT OF SAYING THAT WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE.
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